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Title

: Iron Based Sintered Body Excellent in Enveloped Casting

Property In Light Metal Alloy And Method For Producing

The Same

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Abstract are attached as a separate page to this document.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.